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*Examiner:* Robert R. Raevis

*Art Unit:* 2856

*In re:*

*Applicant:* Joachim SCHNEIDER

*Serial No.:* 09/954,582

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

February 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 27, 2003, please  
amend the application as follows: